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# Over Parish Council

## Minutes of a Meeting of Over Parish Council held on 9th January 2018

# **PRESENT**

Chair: Mr G Fenn

Councillors: Mr T Sutton, Mr G Twiss, Mr B Burling, Mr S Couper, Mrs P Scrivener, Mr S Friend, Mr R Robinson,

Mr J Lewis and Mr B Sutton.

Clerk: Mrs L Poulter

In attendance
Parishioners: None
County Councillor: None
District Councillors: Cllr Burling

## Item

1 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllr Hudson and Mrs J Davies

2 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Mr Couper if necessary in respect of Over Day Centre.

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present

4 TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19th DECEMBER 2017 Duly signed.

5 VILLAGE MATTERS

5.1 To receive update relating to the Green and Village issues. A branch has fallen off one of the trees on the Green and Mr Bridgman has dealt with this, he also notes that there has been some gas contracted works carried out in the Doles Green Lane, Mr Fenn noted that there is still a fair amount of debris which needs clearing from this area following the hedge cutting. Mr Robinson reported that he had received an email from Mr Gaskin from the County Council regarding possible gating of the Doles Green Lane but we will need to approach the District Council about this. It was noted that the tree at the entrance of the Doles Green Lane at the Community Centre end has not been attended to and we will follow this up with the District Council as a matter of urgency,

Pavilion roof repairs-Nothing to report

Cricket Club-A letter of support for the grant application to refurbish the kitchen area in the Pavilion has been sent

- 6 MATTERS OF INTEREST FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS
- **6.1 County Council-** Cllr Hudson's update had been circulated to Councillors.
- 6.2 District Council-Cllr Burling reported that a briefing had been held on the new local plan and he noted that one of the main changes affecting Over is the proposed removal of the recreational use of the land adjacent to the recreation ground. Mr Twiss expressed concerns over the possible implications of this on any development in this area and Mr Lewis proposed Mr Twiss put a case together to lobby for the retention of this designation, seconded by Mr Fenn, unan. Cllr Burling also reported that the District Council had been looking into ways of making itself more business friendly and is looking at bringing an app on line which gives a definitive listing of local businesses. Cllr Burling suggested we should also look into this, it was agreed this would be made an agenda item for the next meeting.
- **PCSO-**Nothing to report. The Clerk has contacted Tom Baugh who is one of the PSCOs for our area and he has asked for more information about some concern which have been raised by residents.
- 7 APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS
- **7.1** The following were approved:

Clerk's Salary- January 584.48
D Bridgman- December 260.60
A Beavis- Litter picking at the Skate park 24.38
Sorrell Electrical-Erection of Christmas Lights 60.00

7.2 Receipts-None received

## 7.3 Review of Accounts to 31st December 2017 and determination of 2018/19 Precept

The Accounts and budgetary document had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. There were no questions in relation to the accounts. Mr Fenn and Mr Twiss verified the bank statements ensuring the balances agreed to the reconciled bank balances in the accounts. Following some discussion relating the budget document as presented to Councillors some amendments were made and agreement was made in principle to look at the possibility of offering funding towards the cost of maintaining the recreation ground play space, this will be explored further with representatives from the Community Centre Committee. In light of the reviewed budget figures Mr Fenn proposed a precept of £53,000 be requested for 2018/19, seconded by Mr Couper. Unan. It was also noted that Willingham Parish Council have increased their pledge to the Day Centre, Bar Hill have pledged £500 and Swavesey are not meeting to set their Precept until later this month so their pledge is not yet known. It was also agreed that the Parish Council photocopier should now be disposed of as it is no longer used.

8 VILLAGE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND POSSIBLE S106 FUNDED PROJECTS INCLUDING UPDATE FROM AD HOC WORKING PARTY

Nothing further to report at present although there had been discussions about the possibility of how any additional play space acquired at the recreation ground could be laid out in order to maximise formal play space, this also follows on from the discussions within item 7.3 above in relation to possible funding towards maintenance of the grounds at the recreation ground.

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#### 9 PARISH BOUNDARY

Councillors had been circulated on events as and when they occurred and it was noted that this appeared to have been a political decision. It was felt that we should make one last stand on this and Mr Burling agreed to draw up a submission to be sent out to all elected members. Mr Couper asked for formal thanks to be recorded to Mr Twiss for the time and effort he had put into dealing with this issue on behalf of the Council.

10 PLANNING

10.1 S/4394/17/PA-Prior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural buildings to dwelling house re barn to rear of Station Road for T Howard. Mr T Sutton proposed "No Recommendation" seconded by Mr B Sutton, unan.

Tree works at 53 High Street-no comments.

- **10.2 Permissions-** The District Council have granted permission for front and rear extensions at 21 The Lanes.
- 10.3 Refusals-None received
- **10.4** Appeals etc-None received.

We have received a letter of concern regarding S/4394/17/PA from the residents at 75 Station Road.

#### 11 REGISTRATION OF LAND UNDER THE STEWARDSHIP OF THE PARISH

Mr Twiss had spoken with the Land Registry and he now needs to clarify exactly what they have received from Greenwoods. He will contact them again and ascertain this, he will also seek an extension to the deadline they have set out.

12 SPEED SIGNS

These are in Swavesey now and we will find out when these are to be erected in the Village.

13 VILLAGE BEACON

This is to be painted shortly.

14 VILLAGE NOTICEBOARD

This has been repaired but not yet erected.

15 UPDATES FROM PC REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Nothing to report. Mr Burling noted that the OCA AGM is to be held on 18<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm at the Centre.

16 OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

We have received notification that the 2018 Yesteryear Road Run will not be going ahead. We have also received a letter from the OCA Committee updating us on what has been happening at the Centre over the past year and thanking us for our financial support. They have been successful in securing a grant from the Over Town Lands towards the repair of the heating system at the Centre.

17 REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR COMING MEETING

Village Business Directory app, Gating of the Doles Green Lane, Christmas Lights and Town Hall broadband.

Next meeting dates: Full Council - Tuesday 13th February 2017.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm Chairman